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SUBJ: MEETING OF FRENCH-USSR MIXED COMMISSION

1. EMBOFF OBTAINED FROM FRENCH FOREIGN TRADE MINISTRY
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FRENCH-
SOVIET MIXED COMMISSION FOR SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL, AND
ECONOMIC COOPERATION WHICH MET IN MOSCOW ON JANUARY 19
AND 20, 1978. ALTHOUGH THE MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION
ARE NOT CLASSIFIED THEY ARE NOT DISTRIBUTED TO THE
PUBLIC AND SHOULD, THEREFORE, BE PROTECTED. TEXT
BEING POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT (EUR/SOV AND EB/ITP/EWT)
AND MOSCOW. THE FRENCH DELEGATION WAS LED BY HENRI
FROMENT-MEURICE, DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL
AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. SOVIET
DELEGATION WAS LED BY D. M. GVICHIANI, VICE PRESIDENT
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OF THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. THE
DETAILED MINUTES (16 PAGES) DESCRIBE CONTINUING AND
NEW ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECTS,
SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGES, SPECIFIC INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENTS ON PATENTS, STANDARDS MEASUREMENTS, AND
EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION.

2. THE MINUTES REPORT THAT DURING 1977 THERE WERE 46 FRENCH DELEGATIONS IN THE SOVIET UNION FOR A COMBINED TOTAL OF 70 "RESEARCHER" MAN MONTHS; AND THE SOVIET UNION SENT 40 DELEGATIONS TO FRANCE FOR A TOTAL OF 85 "RESEARCHER" MAN MONTHS. EXCHANGES INCLUDED SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTATION IN LOW TEMPERATURE PHYSICS, SEMI-CONDUCTORS, PHYSICS, CRYSTALLOGRAPHY, ECOPHYSIOLOGY, PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY, SOLID AND MAGNETIC OPTICS, QUANTITATIVE ELECTRONICS, AND NON-LINEAR OPTICS. NEW AREAS TO BE GIVEN PARTICULAR PRIORITY IN EXCHANGES ARE ASTRONOMY (A FRENCH MISSION WILL VISIT THE USSR IN THE SPRING OF 1978 TO DEVELOP JOINT RESEARCH PROJECTS ON THE SIX METER USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCE TELESCOPE LOCATED AT AELECHOUK), AND SEISMOLOGY (A FRENCH DELEGATION IS TO VISIT THE USSR IN 1978 TO SET UP A JOINT PROGRAM OF COOPERATION). A SPECIFIC AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE FRENCH NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (CNRS) AND THE USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES BROUGHT 21 SOVIET SCIENTISTS TO FRANCE AND SENT 16 FRENCH SCIENTISTS TO THE USSR. ADDITIONAL EXCHANGES OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION ARE PLANNED.

3. BROKEN DOWN INTO "RESEARCHER" MAN MONTHS THE COMMISSION AGREED TO THE FOLLOWING TOTAL ALLOCATION OF EXCHANGES FOR 1978:

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"RESEARCHER"
MAN MONTHS SUBJECT

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TOTAL: 177

4. UNDER SPECIFIC INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS
PROGRESS AND PLANS FOR COOPERATION IN THE FOLLOWING
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SECTORS ARE NOTED: MEDICINE, AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION, ENERGY, CIVIL AVIATION AND AERONAUTICAL
INDUSTRIES, CHEMISTRY, AND TRANSPORTATION.

5. IN RESPONSE TO EMBOFF QUESTION OF NET BENEFITS
DERIVED FROM THESE EXCHANGES, FRENCH OFFICIAL SAID HE
HAD BEEN TOLD BY THE FRENCH MEDICAL REPRESENTATIVE AT
THE COMMISSION THAT IN HIS SECTOR IT WAS DEFINITELY
THE SOVIETS THAT PROFITED MOST FROM THE EXCHANGES.
FRENCH OFFICIAL WAS UNABLE TO APPRAISE REALISTICALLY
OTHER SECTORS OF EXCHANGES.

6. COMMENT: THE MINUTES GENERALLY PORTRAY FAVORABLE
PROGRESS IN THE MANY AREAS OF COOPERATION WITH THE
PRIMARY EMPHASIS ON TECHNOLOGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC
EXCHANGES. THE REPORT DOES NOT GIVE A REALISTIC
APPRAISAL OF ANY SPECIFIC DIFFICULTIES WHICH HAVE BEEN

ENCOUNTERED NOR IS THERE A COMPARISON RELATIVE TO
PREVIOUS OR ANTICIPATED PLANS. OF PARTICULAR INTEREST
IS THE SYSTEMATIC AND QUANTITATIVE APPROACH UNDERLYING
THE EXCHANGES WHICH PROVIDES EACH PARTY A PRECISE MEANS
OF EVALUATION AND CONTROL.
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